(c) if so, for how long Government would keep on pretending that it would run campaign against telecast of obscene programmes by these channels and by when the existing laws would be strictly implemented?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) A show cause notice has been issued recently to one of the news channels for telecast of an alleged sex scandal.

In another case, the permission of uplinking of one entertainment channel was suspended for a period fo 30 days for violating the Programme Code by telecasting a movie with objectionable content. Government is taking suitable steps against erring channels from time to time.

Advertisement in Panchjanya

4108. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA:
SHRI R.K. ANAND:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government had given an advertisement in the Newspaper 'Panchjanya' on the 7th March, 2004 for an event/function much later than the actual date of function;

(b) whether it is not a violation of the guidelines issued by not giving the advertisement through DAVP; and

(c) how much payment has been made against such advertisement?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) to (c) No advertisement was issued through DAVP. However, facts are being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

DTH licence for Space TV

4109. SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA:
SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE:
SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state: